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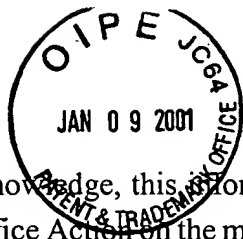
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In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, attached please find a Form PTO-1449 listing information for consideration by the Office in connection with its examination of the above-captioned patent application. This information disclosure statement supplements an information disclosure statement previously submitted in connection with this application on January 11, 2000.

It is brought to Examiner's attention that the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were previously submitted to the Office in connection with a prior application, namely Application Serial No. 09/481,460, which is relied upon in the current application for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98(d), copies of such previously submitted items are not provided herein.



To Applicants knowledge, this information disclosure statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. Therefore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), no fee is believed necessary for its consideration. Applicants request that this information disclosure statement be considered and that a copy of the Form PTO-1449 be returned to the undersigned indicating the consideration of each document listed.

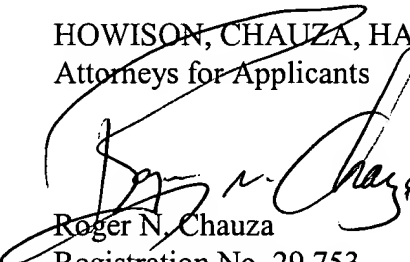
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